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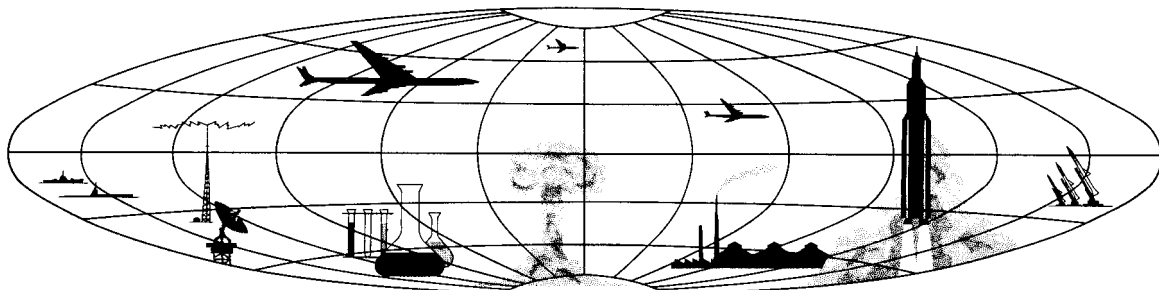


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COORDS: 25-03N 102-50E
NPIC TARGET NO: 0496-11-Q
COMOR NO: None
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A munitions storage site, reported previously as "Kun-ming Explosives Storage," ¹ is located 7 nm east of Kun-ming, Yun-nan Sheng (Province), China (Figure 1). The site consists of three areas: a munitions storage area in the hills, a storage and service area, and a barracks

and administration area (Figure 2). The latter areas are located in a valley SE of the munitions storage area. The site is close to a main rail line, but is road served only. Construction of the rail line began prior to [REDACTED] and was completed before [REDACTED]. A series of military installations, including probable explosives storage areas, are located along the railroad. Munitions Storage Area. The munitions storage area contains 25 dispersed storage buildings and one small building of unidentified

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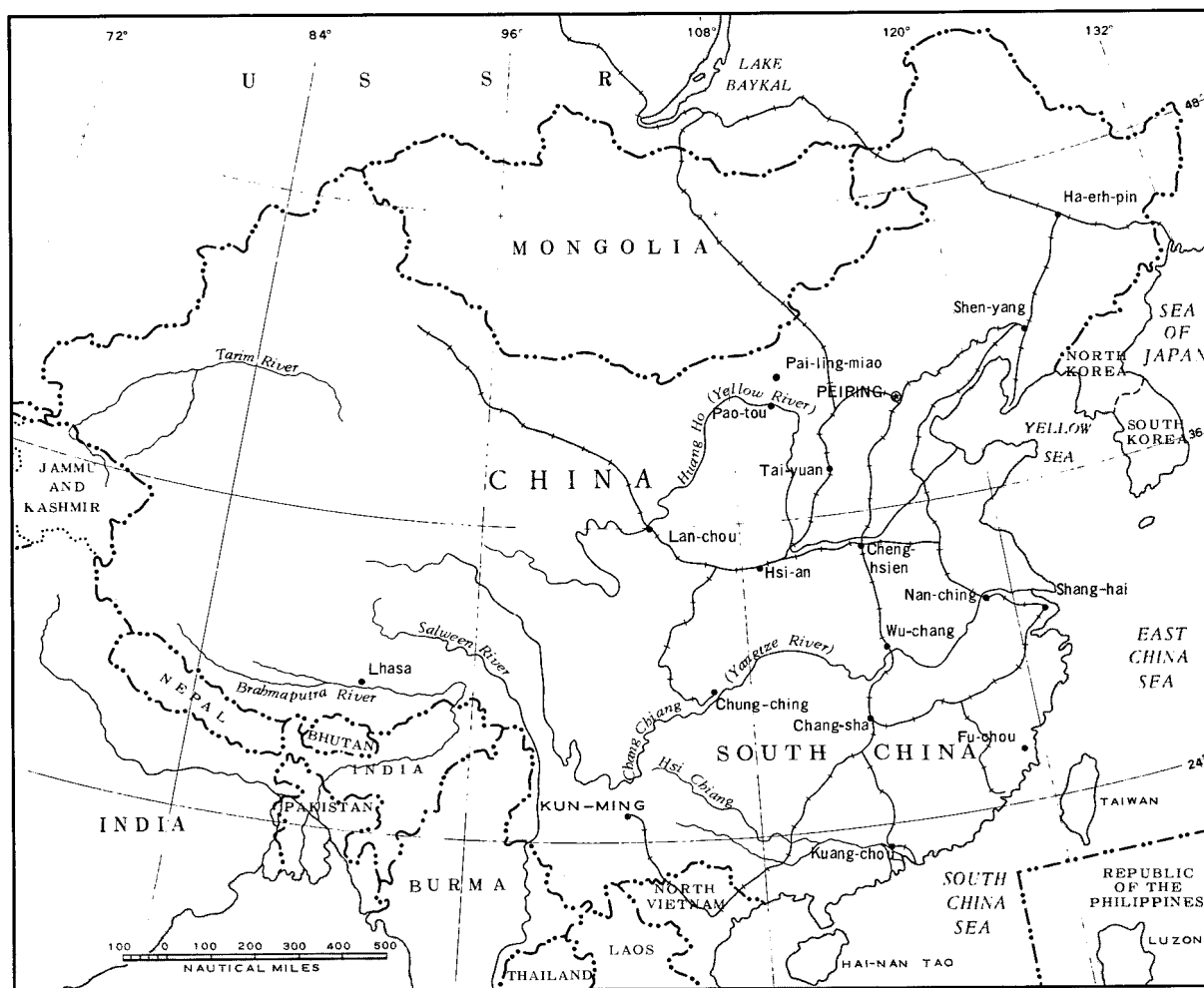


FIGURE 1. LOCATION MAP.

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function. The storage buildings are gable roofed; no roof ventilators are visible. Three sizes of warehouses are discernible: 70 by 25 ft, 65 by 30 ft, and 50 by 25 ft. The total roof cover of the 25 warehouses is about 42,000 sq ft. This area was complete when it was first observed on photography of [REDACTED]

Security. Extensive trenching is visible along the perimeter of the munitions storage area and at lookout points, suggesting the use of troops for external security purposes. Three guard towers, observed on [REDACTED] photography, had been removed by [REDACTED]

Storage and Service Area. The storage and service area contains about 50 storage and support buildings, including at least 12 dispersed storage buildings possibly used for munitions. All the buildings in this area were present in [REDACTED]

Barracks and Administration Area. A barracks and administration area, located near the entrance to the site, contains 19 buildings including at least 15 barracks. Construction in this area was just beginning in [REDACTED] four barracks were incomplete as of [REDACTED]

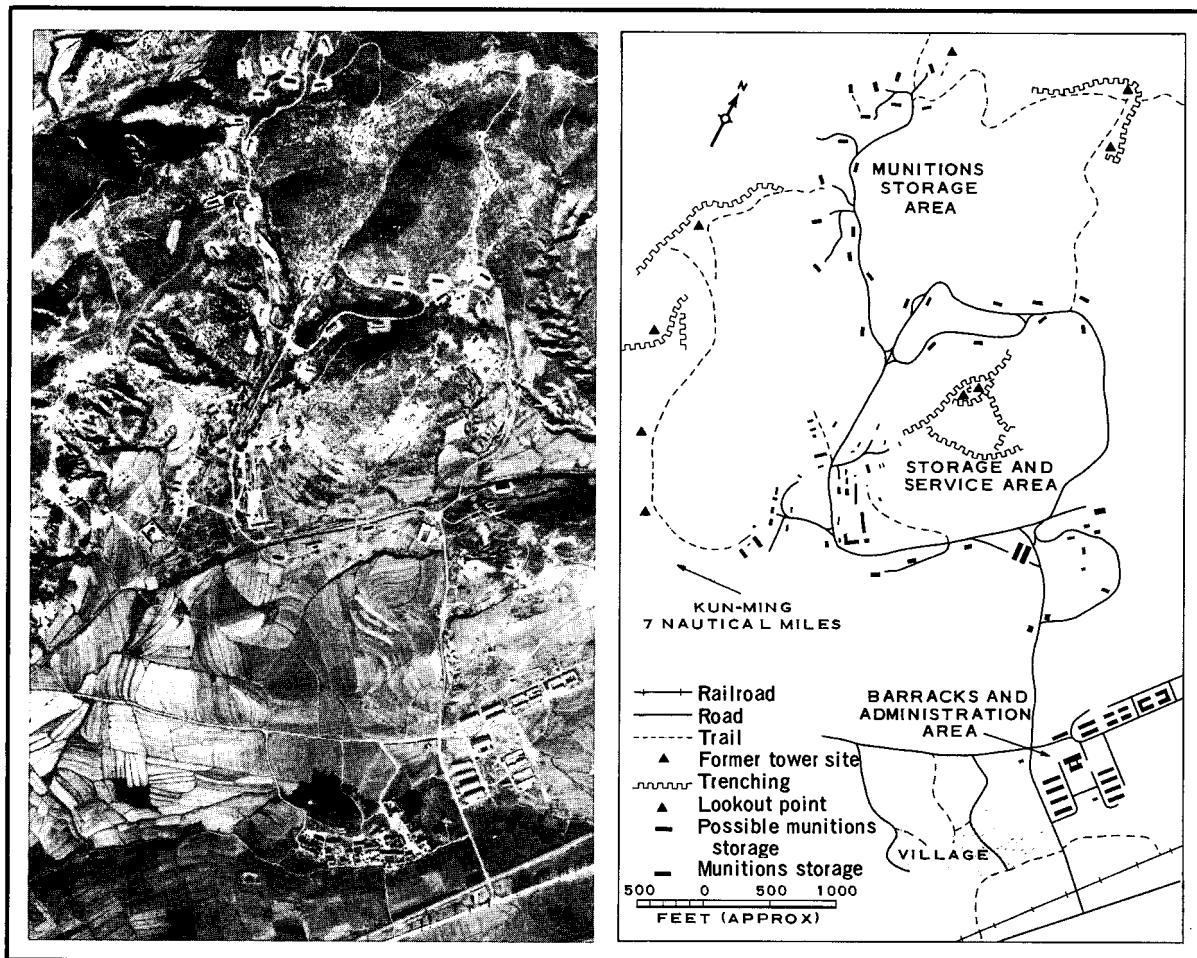


FIGURE 2. MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE NEAR KUN-MING, CHINA [REDACTED]

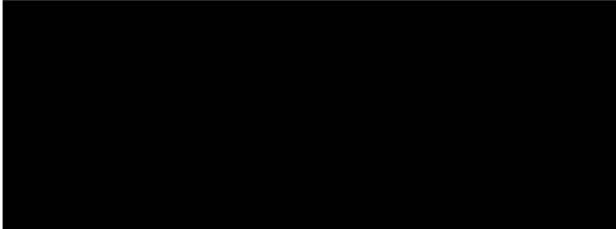
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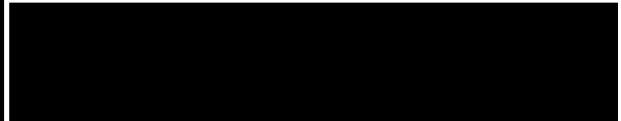
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